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IMPORTANT PATENT DECISION.

In an opinion recently handed down in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts, Judge Brown has held that claims 23 and 25 of the Coldwell and Gildard reissue patent Number 11,923 are valid and have been infringed by the arrangement of drop bars, (drop wires) sold by The Stafford Company.

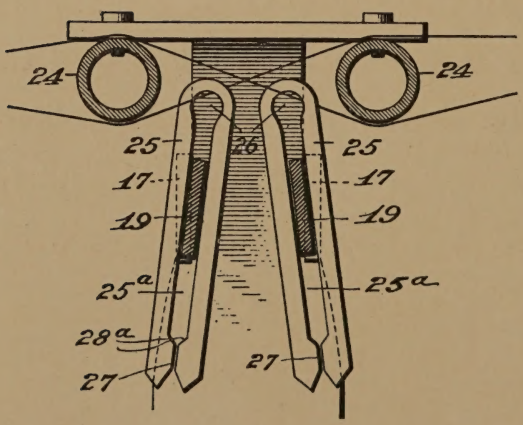
We shall have something farther on this subject in a later issue.

In our Cotton Chats of February, 1910, appeared the following:

FURTHER PATENT LITIGATION.

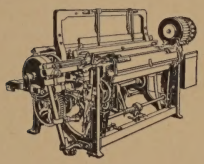
Suit has been brought in the United States Circuit Court against the Stafford Company by the Draper Company and the Crompton & Knowles Loom Works as licensees under the Coldwell and Gildard patent, Reissue No. 11,923. It is claimed that the warp-stop motion employed in the Stafford looms infringes this patent,

Fig. 5.



which shows the drop bars each suspended from a single warp thread, and so arranged that the thread does not come in contact with the drop bars hung on the adjacent threads on each side. We annex a portion of a figure of the patent showing this useful arrangement.

We wish to warn the trade that the rights granted by this patent will be enforced against all persons who unlawfully appropriate the patented invention.



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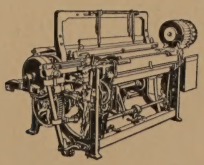

OUR LOCAL STRIKE CONDITIONS

are indicated by the following figures showing the number of men in our manufacturing department on dates specified:

MARCH 31,	**2,077**
APRIL 3,	**1,253**
JULY 31,	**2,103**

As the men went out on the strike April first, the March thirty-first figures show the number of men required at that time to produce the average output as it had been running for several months previous.

The April third figures give the number of men on the date that the demands of the I. W. W. were formulated.

The July thirty-first figures show that **the vacancies have all been filled** and that we had 26 more men than before the trouble began.

It will take some time to get all departments thoroughly regulated, but we are improving every day, and our output is rapidly increasing.

We again thank our many friends, customers, stockholders, loyal employees and the general public for their co-operation and sympathy.